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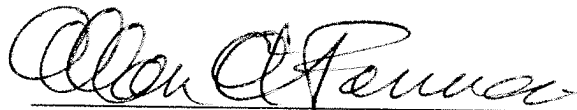
In connection with the prosecution of a related foreign application, Japanese patent application 11-338137 and international patent application WO 01/62436 A1 were brought to the attention of the patentee. Japanese patent application 11-338137 is an equivalent to and is in the same patent family as WO01/41218, EP1156531, US 6,596,610 and US 6,720,640, documents which are already of record in this patent. US 6,884,154 is the US equivalent to WO 01/62436 A1.

The inventors and their attorneys and representatives have reviewed these newly cited patent applications and confirm that they are not material to the patentability of the present claims. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that this letter and copies of the documents simply be placed in the file of this patent.

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